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SUBJECT: U.S.-ASEAN DIALOGUE

1. AT CLOSE OF ELEVENTH ASEAN MINISTERIAL MEETING ON 16 JUNE, THEP THEWAKU, D.G. FOR ASEAN, MFA, CONFIRMED TO US THAT MINISTERS HAD ENDORSED THE AUGUST 3-4 CONFERENCE DATE IN WASHINGTON, AGREED TO LEVEL OF REPRESENTATION AND APPROVED TENTATIVE AGENDA. THEP SAID IT WAS LEFT TO EACH ASEAN COUNTRY TO DECIDE WHICH MINISTERS THEY WISHED TO HAVE PARTICIPATE IN WASHINGTON TALKS. REFERRING TO THE AGENDA, HE SAID THE BASIC TEXT PROPOSED BY THE U.S. HAD BEEN ACCEPTED WITH SLIGHT MODIFICATIONS SUCH AS ADDITION OF ITEM ON REFUGEE PROBLEM. THE MINISTERS ALSO APPROVED SEVERAL CONCRETE PROJECTS TO BE SUBMITTED AT WASHINGTON FOR U.S. CONSIDERATION. THEP DID NOT THINK THE PROJECTS WOULD POSE A PROBLEM AND SAID THESE PROPOSALS WOULD BE CONVEYED TO U.S. THROUGH THE PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT IN MANILA.

2. THEP DID NOT ALLUDE TO NEWSPAPER REFERENCE THAT THE MINISTERS WERE CONCERNED ABOUT GOING TO WASHINGTON MEETING
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WHICH WAS LIKELY TO HAVE NO POSITIVE OUTCOME AND THAT THEY MIGHT APPEAR TO BE KOWTOWING WITH HAT IN HAND LOOKING FOR A U.S. HANDOUT. SOME OF THESE STATEMENTS HAD BEEN ATTRIBUTED TO HIM. THERE WAS NO TIME FOR DISCUSSION OF THIS MATTER WITH THEP WHO WAS HURRYING TO FOREIGN MINISTERS LUNCH. ANOTHER DELEGATE INFORMED US THERE WAS GENUINE CONCERN AMONG SEVERAL DELEGATIONS.

EMBOFF WILL MEET AGAIN WITH THEP WHEN HE RETURNS TO BANGKOK
NEXT MONDAY AND ATTEMPT TO SECURE AMPLIFICATION THOSE
CONCERNS.

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